

## Route 101 Mad River Bridge Replacement FACT SHEET

### The Project

This project will replace the older bridges on Route 101 over the Mad River between Arcata and McKinleyville due to seismic deficiencies and scour (the removal of sediments at bridge piers by river flow). Improvements to the intersection and ramps of Route 101 and 200 are also planned. Construction of the new bridges was aligned to the west to facilitate the use of the existing bridges during construction.

### Benefits

Route 101 is an economic lifeline and important route in Humboldt and neighboring counties to the north and south. This project will improve mobility for vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians. Commuting cyclists will enjoy ten foot shoulders on both structures. The new northbound bridge will also incorporate an eight foot wide multi-purpose path joining a nearby frontage road to Route 200.

### Project Status

The Mad River Bridges project is on schedule for all lanes and ramps to be open by late winter 2012 with some off-highway work, such as planting and landscaping activities, to continue through spring 2013. The green truss bridge is slated to be removed during the summer of 2012.

### Project Costs

Approximately \$40 million

### Project Schedule

Begin Construction: Spring 2009

Project Completion: Winter 2012

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